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Weddings are a personal thing | 2017 Kitsap Wedding Guide

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For the bride and groom, it's their day. And it should reflect their personalities and their likes.

That's what wedding planners throughout Kitsap County are saying. And with the 2017 wedding season fast approaching, trends are vastly different from the past few years.

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When speaking of where to have a wedding, if an outdoor or barn setting isn't you, how about an industrial warehouse? That's a fad that wedding planner say is popular in the metro areas.

At these affairs, there's many twinkle lights hung about and there's large over-the-top table centerpieces creating a match-up of old and new. Sometimes these warehouses are cheaper to rent simply because they're sitting empty.

Some couples, who want to wow their guests, are opting to have their weddings at places like an art museum, a glass museum, even the Museum of Flight. Anything is possible, planners say. All you really need is a large space that can be personalized temporarily for the event.

Among the more popular local venues, according to Guevara, is the Gold Mountain Golf Course which recently added a "Wedding in the Woods" garden. Kitsap State Memorial Park is another, as is Port Gamble and even the Silverdale Beach Hotel.

Guevara sees about half her business from folks who live in Kitsap County and the other half is from elsewhere. She started her business with her husband after they were called on to help out at friends weddings.

"I've had them from out-of-state, Seattle and the surrounding area," she said. "This area is popular because of the mountain views and the water."